



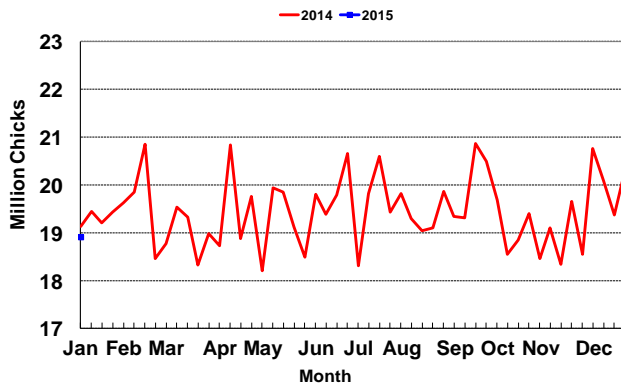
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### Arkansas Chick Placements Down 1 Percent from Last Year

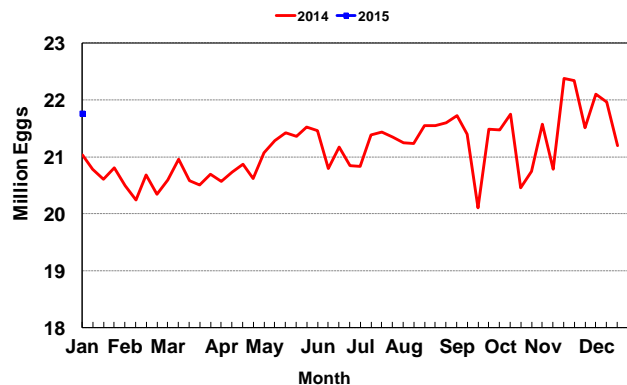
Broiler-type chicks placed for meat production in Arkansas were 18.9 million during the week ending January 3, 2015. Placements were down 1 percent from the comparable week in 2014 and down 3 percent from the previous week.

Arkansas hatcheries set 21.8 million broiler-type eggs during the week ending January 3, 2015, up 4 percent from the same period last year but down 1 percent from the previous week.

Chicks Placed In Arkansas, 2014-2015



Eggs Set In Arkansas, 2014-2015



Broiler Eggs Set and Chicks Placed in 19 Major States by Week, December 6, 2014 - January 3, 2015

State	Eggs Set					Chicks Placed				
	Week Ending					Week Ending				
	6-Dec	13-Dec	20-Dec	27-Dec	3-Jan	6-Dec	13-Dec	20-Dec	27-Dec	3-Jan
	1,000 eggs					1,000 chicks				
Alabama	28,570	28,714	28,214	27,757	28,313	21,932	22,748	21,776	21,925	22,493
Arkansas	22,102	21,961	21,201	21,989	21,765	20,756	20,086	19,375	19,483	18,911
Delaware	4,778	4,780	4,778	4,736	4,758	5,714	5,162	5,102	4,775	5,786
Florida	1,223	1,223	1,225	1,224	1,223	1,311	1,487	1,427	1,328	1,342
Georgia	34,283	34,278	34,884	34,472	34,512	27,178	25,889	27,336	26,889	27,011
Kentucky	7,877	7,962	7,961	7,942	7,942	5,940	6,639	6,146	6,135	6,079
Louisiana	3,710	3,834	3,622	3,848	3,848	3,366	3,339	3,337	3,307	3,352
Maryland	7,900	7,929	7,907	7,924	7,874	6,174	6,434	6,061	6,496	5,918
Mississippi	17,395	17,952	17,921	17,828	17,632	14,797	14,962	15,052	14,415	14,985
Missouri	8,329	8,356	8,321	8,114	8,143	5,308	5,629	6,402	5,927	6,551
N. Carolina	20,840	20,982	21,105	20,702	20,984	15,639	17,142	17,082	16,540	16,730
Oklahoma	6,347	6,682	6,273	6,189	6,270	4,216	4,521	4,146	4,980	4,831
Pennsylvania	4,601	4,477	4,299	4,324	4,265	3,999	3,859	3,891	4,024	3,694
S. Carolina	5,242	5,177	5,928	5,574	5,147	5,558	5,080	4,737	5,124	4,398
Texas	14,100	14,610	14,887	15,036	14,967	11,889	11,989	12,278	11,329	11,759
Virginia	6,120	6,507	6,606	6,455	6,634	4,806	5,111	5,398	5,069	5,215
CA,TN & WV	11,298	12,118	12,072	12,505	11,758	11,721	10,625	11,589	10,358	11,438
19 State Total	204,715	207,542	207,204	206,619	206,035	170,304	170,702	171,135	168,104	170,493
% of Prev. Year	102	103	103	103	103	103	103	103	102	104
Other States	8,251	8,173	8,182	8,086	8,005	6,322	6,070	6,000	6,393	6,324
<b>U.S. Total</b>	<b>212,966</b>	<b>215,715</b>	<b>215,386</b>	<b>214,705</b>	<b>214,040</b>	<b>176,626</b>	<b>176,772</b>	<b>177,135</b>	<b>174,497</b>	<b>176,817</b>

Revisions made to the previous four-week's data during the current week are published in this report.

### Broiler-Type Eggs Set in the United States Up 3 Percent

Hatcheries in the United States weekly program set 214 million eggs in incubators during the week ending January 3, 2015, up 3 percent from a year ago. Hatcheries in the 19 State weekly program set 206 million eggs in incubators during the week ending January 3, 2015, up 3 percent from the year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week in the United States was 83 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

### Broiler-Type Chicks Placed in the United States Up 4 Percent

Broiler growers in the United States weekly program placed 177 million chicks for meat production during the week ending January 3, 2015, up 4 percent from a year ago. Broiler growers in the 19 State weekly program placed 170 million chicks for meat production during the week ending January 3, 2015, up 4 percent from the year earlier. Cumulative placements from December 29, 2013 through January 3, 2015 for the United States were 9.11 billion. Cumulative placements were up 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.